

Please Direct All Correspondence to Customer Number **20995****AMENDMENT / RESPONSE TRANSMITTAL**

Applicant : Remacle et al.
 App. No : 10/056,229
 Filed : January 23, 2002
 For : IDENTIFICATION OF A LARGE
 NUMBER OF BIOLOGICAL
 (MICRO)ORGANISMS GROUPS AT
 DIFFERENT LEVELS BY THEIR
 DETECTION ON A SAME ARRAY
 Examiner : Woolwine, Samuel C.
 Art Unit : 1637

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July 31, 2006

(Date)

Marina L. Gardey, Reg. No. 52,950

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Commissioner for Patents
 P.O. Box 1450
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the above-identified application are the following enclosures:

- (X) Amendment and Response to Office Action in 16 pages.
- (X) Declaration under 37 C.F.R. §1.132 in 6 pages.
- (X) 6 Exhibits – 1 page each.
- (X) Exhibit A – Curriculum Vitae of inventor Jose Remacle in 7 pages.

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FEE CALCULATION				
FEE TYPE		FEE CODE	CALCULATION	TOTAL
Excess Claims	57 - 75 = 0	1202 (\$50)	0 x 50 =	\$0
Excess Independent	1 - 3 = 0	1201 (\$200)	0 x 200 =	\$0
Multiple Claim	1.16(j)	1203 (\$360)		\$0
3 Month Extension	1.17(a)(3)	1253 (\$1,020)		\$1,020
TOTAL FEE DUE				\$1,020

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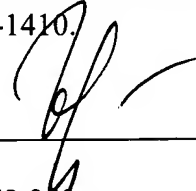
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**Mail Stop Amendment**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 14, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Summary of Interview begins on page 10 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.